

Patient Care Technician

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Program Overview		
Course Type	Web-Enhanced*	
Duration	5 months	
Program Hours / CEUs	211 Hours (21.1 CEUs)	
Tuition	\$2,895	
Program Dates	September 08, 2025 – February 25, 2026	
Program Schedule	Mondays and Wednesdays, 6:00 PM – 9:30 PM	
Externships Schedule	Monday to Friday, 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM	
Application Deadline	August 26, 2025	
Certification	Students who successfully complete the program will receive a Certificate of Completion and be eligible to sit for the certification exam offered by the National Healthcareer Association (NHA).	

^{*}This is an in-person course that uses an online platform (D2L) for assignments or supplemental materials. Reliable access to the internet and a computer/laptop is required.

Requirements Overview

To apply, students must meet the following requirements:

General Requirements

- A high school diploma, GED, or equivalent
- 18 years of age or older
- A valid driver's license or state-issued ID
- A Social Security number and the ability to provide proof of it upon request

Background Check Requirements

• Must pass a criminal background check with no infractions that would prohibit employment

Clinical Compliance Requirements

- Must upload documentation of all clinical requirements in Complio
- All documentation must be approved in Complio
- Please refer to Page 4 on what must be submitted

Post-Acceptance Requirements

After being accepted into the program, you must:

Pass a drug test

You will receive further instructions on how to complete your drug test 30 days before your clinical start date. Please do not order the drug test without prompt.

How to Apply

Please review this packet in its entirety to understand all program requirements before submitting your application. This is a non-credit program, and federal financial aid, including the Pell Grant, does not apply. See Page 6 for payment options.

1. Complete the WCE Short Form

All students must complete the WCE Short Form, even if they have previously attended a WCE course or are a current Temple College student. This is the first required step in the application process and cannot be skipped.

- Go to tinyurl.com/wce-short-form
- Complete and submit the form.

2. Prepare All Required Documents

- Refer to Page 4 for a list of all required documents. Ensure all documents are complete and up to date. If any are missing or expired, update or obtain them before proceeding.
- Health records must show your name, date of birth, and the administering provider.

3. Purchase Screening Package (Background Check and Document Tracker)

Once all required documents are gathered, purchase the screening package.

- Go to templecollegecompliance.com
- Follow the steps outlined on the page to purchase the screening package.

4. Upload All Required Documents

- Upload all the required documents to your document tracker in Complio.
- Once all documents are approved, proceed to the next step.

5. Submit the Application by August 26, 2025

- Go to tinyurl.com/fall-2025-pct
- Complete and submit the application

(Optional Step) Obtain Your BLS Certification

If you need the American Heart Association BLS Certificate, you can register for a course here: tinyurl.com/wce-bls. If the available dates don't work for you, visit templecpr.com for other options. **Note:** If you are a **DYD Scholarship recipient**, do not register for the BLS course through these links.

Clinical Requirements Checklist

Important Compliance Deadlines:

- If you have not received the Hepatitis B vaccine or cannot provide proof, request the Heplisav-B series (a two-dose series, completed in one month). The first dose must be administered by July 23, 2025. Note: If you receive the three-dose series, you will not be eligible for this cohort, as it takes six months to complete. Please contact our office if you have any questions about this requirement.
- The Tdap, Influenza (Flu) vaccines, TB test, and BLS Certification must remain valid throughout the program to be eligible for this cohort. You will need to renew these items if they "expire" during your program.
- If you need the Varicella or MMR vaccines (two-dose series), start the first dose no later than July 23, 2025 to be eligible for this cohort.

MMR (Measles, Mumps, Rubella) – Provide only one of the following options:		
Option	Uploaded and Approved	
Two MMR doses		
Positive quantitative titer		
Two Measles, two Mumps, one Rubella dose		
Varicella (Chickenpox) – Provide only one of the following options:		
Option	Uploaded and Approved	
Two Varicella doses		
Positive quantitative titer		
Verification of past disease from a medical provider		
Hepatitis B – Provide only one of the following options:		
Option	Uploaded and Approved	
Two Heplisav-B doses		
Positive quantitative titer		
Three Engerix, Recombivax HB, or Twinrix doses		

Tdap (Tetanus, Diphtheria, Pertussis)		
Option	Uploaded and Approved	
One Tdap dose within the past 10 years		
Current Season's Influenza (Flu)		
Option	Uploaded and Approved	
One Influenza dose		
Negative TB (Tuberculosis) Test – Provide only one of the following options:		
Option	Uploaded and Approved	
TB skin test within the past year		
QuantiFERON TB Gold test within the past year		
T-Spot test within the past year		
Proof of Education – Provide only one of the following options:		
Option	Uploaded and Approved	
High school diploma or equivalent		
GED		
College transcripts		
Valid Identification – Provide only one of the following options:		
Option	Uploaded and Approved	
Driver's License		
State ID		
Valid American Heart Association Basic Life Support (BLS) Certification		
Option	Uploaded and Approved	
Course Completion Card		

Tuition and Financial Assistance

Tuition:

\$2895 (includes textbook, certification exam, and drug test)

Additional Costs:

- Hunter-green scrubs
- Document tracker and background check
- AHA BLS Certification course

Financial Assistance:

• Payment Plan: \$2925 total (includes tuition and one-time fee)

Payment Plan Schedule

o Due at Registration: \$753.75

o 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Month After Registration: \$723.75

Your tuition must be paid in full at least two weeks before the program ends to receive the exam voucher and Certificate of Completion.

Note: Payment plans must be set up online. Cash payments are not accepted. Fees apply for credit/debit card payments. Checking/routing information is preferred.

- DYD Scholarship (Bell County Residents): Covers 100% of the tuition and BLS fee for eligible students. Students must attend Adult Education and Literacy (AEL) courses along with WCE courses. Contact 254.298.8626 for more information.
- **VA Education Benefits:** Students may use GI Bill, Chapter 35, or Hazlewood benefits to pay for the tuition. Chapter 35 students must enroll in a payment plan and pay the initial payment. Contact 254.298.8311 or va@templecollege.edu for more information.
- **MyCAA**: Eligible military spouses may use MyCAA benefits to pay for this program's tuition. Contact 254.298.8311 or va@templecollege.edu for more information.
- Tuition Waivers: Students may use any tuition waiver or exemption provided by the State
 of Texas, as long as the WCE program qualifies. Contact 254.298.8335 for more details and
 confirmation.

Program Timeline

1. Notification of Acceptance

You will receive an official acceptance email within a week of submitting your application, provided all requirements are completed and spots are available. The email will include payment instructions and orientation details.

2. Orientation

Your program has a mandatory orientation. The orientation will typically cover:

- Program expectations
- Course schedules
- Issuance of textbooks
- Q&A with the instructor, clinical coordinator, and/or WCE staff

3. Prepare for Class

Before your program begins, ensure you are able to log into the following:

- Your Temple College Student Email
- Your Online Learning Platform (D2L)

4. Clinicals

Students who are eligible for clinicals are required to complete a drug test at least 14 days before clinicals begin. We will issue the drug test order. You will receive more information closer to the clinical start date.

5. Program Completion

Students who successfully complete the program will receive a Certificate of Completion and become eligible to sit for your program's certification exam or start the licensure process for your program.

- **Important:** If your account has an outstanding balance, the Certificate of Completion and any applicable exam vouchers will not be issued until the balance is paid in full.
- You will receive more details about your exam or licensure process towards the end of the program.

Additional Program Information

Description

This course is designed to prepare students for the scenarios they will face as a Patient Care Technician. Topics in this course include working within the healthcare team, ethics, laws, communication, understanding patients, culture, patient rights, body structure and function, and growth and development. Participants will also learn safety, infection control, moving and transfers, vital signs, patient assessment, care, comfort, hygiene, and grooming, nutrition and fluids, elimination and respiration skills, and care of the surgical patient. Plus, advanced skills for Patient Care Technicians such as specimen collection, phlebotomy procedures and electrocardiography (ECG) procedures. This course meets for 131 hours of in-person instruction. Students may be eligible to complete an off-site externship of 80 hours, Monday to Friday 8am to 5pm.

Upon successful completion, graduates will receive a certificate of completion and become eligible to apply for certification offered by the National Healthcareer Association (NHA).

Course Objectives

- Emphasize essential terms and concepts to reinforce the patient care technician role
- Understand reality-based situations encountered by the patient care technician to encourage you to practice and apply clinical thinking
- Promote step-by-step instructions to crucial skills performed by the patient care technician
- Facilitate a safe and effective approach to care
- Develop the ability to use problem solving skills to support the role as a patient care technician

Course Codes

- HPRS 1006 Essentials of Medical Terminology: 35 contact hours (3.5 CEUs)
- NUPC 1020 Patient Care Technician/Assistant: 96 contact hours (9.6 CEUs)
- NUPC 1060 Clinical Nursing Assistant/Aide and Patient Care Assistant/Aide: 80 contact hours (8.0 CEUs)

Attendance Policy

The Patient Care Technician program requires 85% attendance to successfully complete. Attendance will be taken at each meeting.

Student Handbook

The Medical Careers Student Handbook outlines important program policies. We encourage you to read the handbook before applying. Visit <u>tinyurl.com/medical-careers-handbook</u> to view it.

Contact Us

For any questions or assistance, please contact the **Workforce and Continuing Education** (**WCE**) Department.

Email: wce@templecollege.edu

Phone: 254.298.8625

Office Hours:

Spring and Fall
 Monday to Thursday, 8:00 AM to 6:00 PM
 Friday, 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM

Summer

Monday to Thursday, 7:30 AM to 6:00 PM

Information in this packet may change.
Scan the QR code for the most up-to-date version or visit tinyurl.com/wce-pct

